

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the status of the claims to that indicated by the following:

Claims 1-5 (canceled)

6. (new) A turbine, comprising:

a housing containing a rotatable concentric inner member with a central shaft and a plurality of substantially axially oriented blades extending between an exterior face of a peripheral wall of said rotatable concentric inner member and an inner face of a peripheral wall of said housing with a space existing between said peripheral wall of said rotatable concentric inner member and said peripheral wall of said housing defining a channel into which fluid is passable, so that the fluid is able to be directed through at least one inlet of said peripheral wall of said housing for acting on a blade and fills the space between adjacent blades of said plurality of substantially axially oriented blades for causing said rotatable concentric inner member to rotate, the fluid exiting said turbine through an outlet in said peripheral wall of said housing.

7. (new) The turbine according to Claim 6, wherein said peripheral wall of said housing has a plurality of inlets.

8. (new) The turbine according to Claim 7, wherein said plurality of inlets in said peripheral wall of said housing pass diagonally through said peripheral wall for directing the fluid to said plurality of substantially axially oriented blades.

9. (new) The turbine according to Claim 6, wherein said plurality of substantially axially oriented blades are dimensioned so that fluid is unable to pass around said blades with a volume defined by said adjacent blades forming an individual compartment.

10. (new) The turbine according to Claim 9, wherein said rotatable concentric inner member has an exterior that includes a plurality of step devices between said adjacent blades for reducing said volume of one said individual compartment and for providing surfaces upon which the fluid is able to impinge.